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October 30, 2003

Ref: 2794-22047

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
P. O. Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application for Alternate Well and

Substitute Well

Duhon 3 Sand, Reservoir F

ABBEVILLE FIELD, Vermilion Parish, LA Applicant: Hilcorp Energy Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

Application is hereby made on behalf of Hilcorp Energy Company for the calling of a public hearing, after ten days legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters regarding the Duhon 3 Sand, Reservoir F, Abbeville Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, for which rules and regulations were established and a drilling and production unit was created by Office of Conservation Order No. 155-A-15.

- 1. To grant an exception to the spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 155-A-15 and Statewide Order No. 29-E and to permit applicant, Hilcorp Energy Company to drill, designate and utilize the Hilcorp Energy Company-Durke No. 1 Well as a substitute unit well for the Duhon 3 RF SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
- 2. This well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the reservoir covered by the unit which cannot be effectively and efficiently drained by any existing well within such unit.
- 3. To permit applicant, Hilcorp Energy Company to drill, designate and utilize the Hilcorp Energy Company-Donohue No. 1 Well as an alternate unit well for the Duhon 3 RF SUA, such well to be at the location shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof;
- 4. To make a specific finding that such proposed alternate unit well is necessary to effectively and efficiently drain a portion of the Duhon 3 RF SUA which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any other well within the unit;

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- 5. To grant a single unit allowable for the Duhon 3 RF SUA and to permit the operator of the unit to produce said unit allowables from the unit well, the proposed substitute unit well or the alternate unit well, or from either of the wells, at its option;
- To confirm Hilcorp Energy Company as the operator of the Duhon 3 RF SUA.
- 7. To find that, except to the extent contrary in the order granted by the Commissioner of Conservation in connection with the hearing held on this application, the provisions of Office of Conservation No. 155-A-15 shall remain in full force and effect, and
- 5: To consider such other matter pertinent to this application as shown by the evidence presented at the hearing held on this matter.

The Duhon 3 Sand, in Abbeville Field, Vermilion Parish was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 155-A-15, effective September 17, 1991.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the Duhon 3 RF SUA, Abbeville Field, Vermilion Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. W. H. Robbins of W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Suite 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, (337) 232-5004.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee

Very truly yours

B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson District Manager Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

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